"Let your light so shine...

. . . before men, that they
may see your good works
and glorify your Father
which is in Heaven."

Matthew 5:16.

ST. AIDAN'S CHURCH

CHELTENHAM

REV. HERBERT BOYCE SATCHER, RECTOR

ST. AIDAN

Aidan and Cheltenham are somewhat correlated, for Cheltenham is a village well known to Englishmen and Aidan was a British Saint.

Although Christianity was well established on the far western island of Iona prior to the coming of the Roman mission to southern England in A.D. 597, invasions and pagan successes had almost obliterated the Christian efforts in northern England. But early in the 7th century, King Oswald of Northumbria sent to Iona for missionaries. A monk named Aidan was consecrated Bishop and arrived there about A.D. 635. He was gentle, kind, and persuasive, and soon won the hearts of King and court and people.

Aidan established himself on the barren isle of Lindisfarne, within the shadow of the castle of the Northumbrian Kings on Bamborough Head, and remained there for sixteen years, converting the populace to Christianity and spreading the Church throughout Northumbria, until his death in A.D. 651.

We, at St. Aidan's, have our roots in this pre-Roman, Celtic past. It is a great and goodly heritage. Our architecture, decoration, ceremonial, and the ordering of our services are all designed to carry on this tradition.

THE RECTOR

Herbert Boyce Satcher was born near Trenton, South Carolina, July 24, 1890. Having the necessary general and theological education, he graduated from the Philadelphia Divinity School in 1916 with the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Theology, was ordained priest in New Jersey in 1917, and appointed Assistant at Old St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, in 1918.

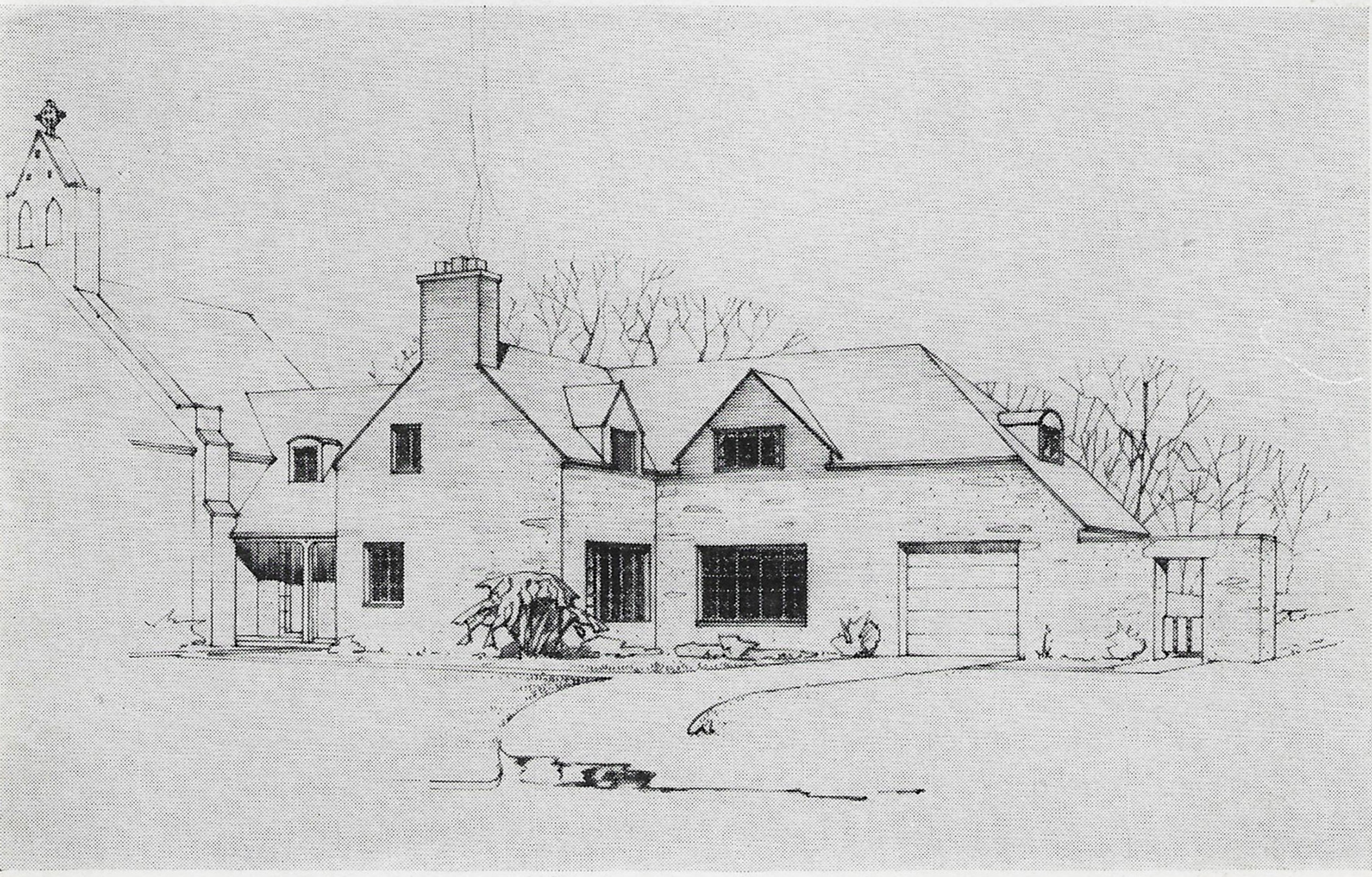
He became Vicar of Trinity Chapel, Cheltenham, in 1924, and during that year St. Aidan's Chapel was built as the successor of Trinity Chapel, and the work reorganized. As a part of the 25th anniversary of this occasion, St. Aidan's was established as a parish, and Mr. Satcher instituted its first Rector.

Mr. Satcher's contributions to the general Church have been manifold. For many years he conducted courses in the Diocesan Normal School, and for the Music Commission of the Diocese. From 1936 to 1939 he was Special Lecturer on the Liturgy and Music of the Episcopal Church in the Westminster Choir College, Princeton, New Jersey. While he is well and favorably known as a lecturer on Church Music, his work in this field has always been designed to show music in its proper relationship as subsidiary to the Liturgy, and as an adjunct to the Church's worship. To gain experience at the source, Mr. Satcher has taken courses in England, and has attended music festivals in that country, at London, Canterbury, and Hereford, and on the continent of Europe at Bayreuth and Munich, Germany; Salzburg, Austria; and Paris, France.

He has written many newspaper and magazine articles, including contributions to "The Churchman," "The Living Church," "The Church News of the Diocese of Pennsylvania," "The American Church Sunday School Magazine," "The Diapason," "Historical Magazine of the P.E. Church," and a long series of reviews of choral music for "Disques." He contributed the essay on the History of the Hymnal to "The Hymnal 1940 Companion," and has published "A Bibliography of Church Music and Allied Subjects."

Mr. Satcher is a book collector whose library is notable for its liturgical works, hymnals, psalters, and chant books, many of which are beautifully printed by famous presses. In his autograph collection, there are many hymns in the original author's handwriting. From the sale of most of his collection of nearly 2700 phonograph records, about $1500 has been added to our Building Fund.

St. Aidan's is very fortunate to have as its Rector one so well equipped and so well versed in the "work" of the Church. Service leaflets often go out from this parish, and circulate throughout the Church as models of the best liturgical and musical usage, as set forth in our incomparable Book of Common Prayer.



PROPOSED RECTORY

BUILDING FUND CAMPAIGN

Twenty-five years ago our present Church and Parish House was built largely from contributions of generous Churchmen and friends, and but few of the parishioners were called upon for contributions to the building program.

Now that our parish has grown, we should all take great pride in completing the work by contributing as generously as we can to make the building of a Rectory a reality.

The Building Committee (acting independently of the Building Fund Committee) has prepared plans to provide for a sacristy, and living quarters for a Rector and average family.

During the past year the several guilds and other organizations of the Church have labored diligently and unceasingly in the interest of the Building Fund and with splendid results. Our Rector has made extremely liberal donations from the sale of his personal Record Library and other sources. But these efforts and activities cannot be expected to continue indefinitely. They must have the generous support of the parishioners who should take great pride in contributing to the cost of the stone and timber necessary.

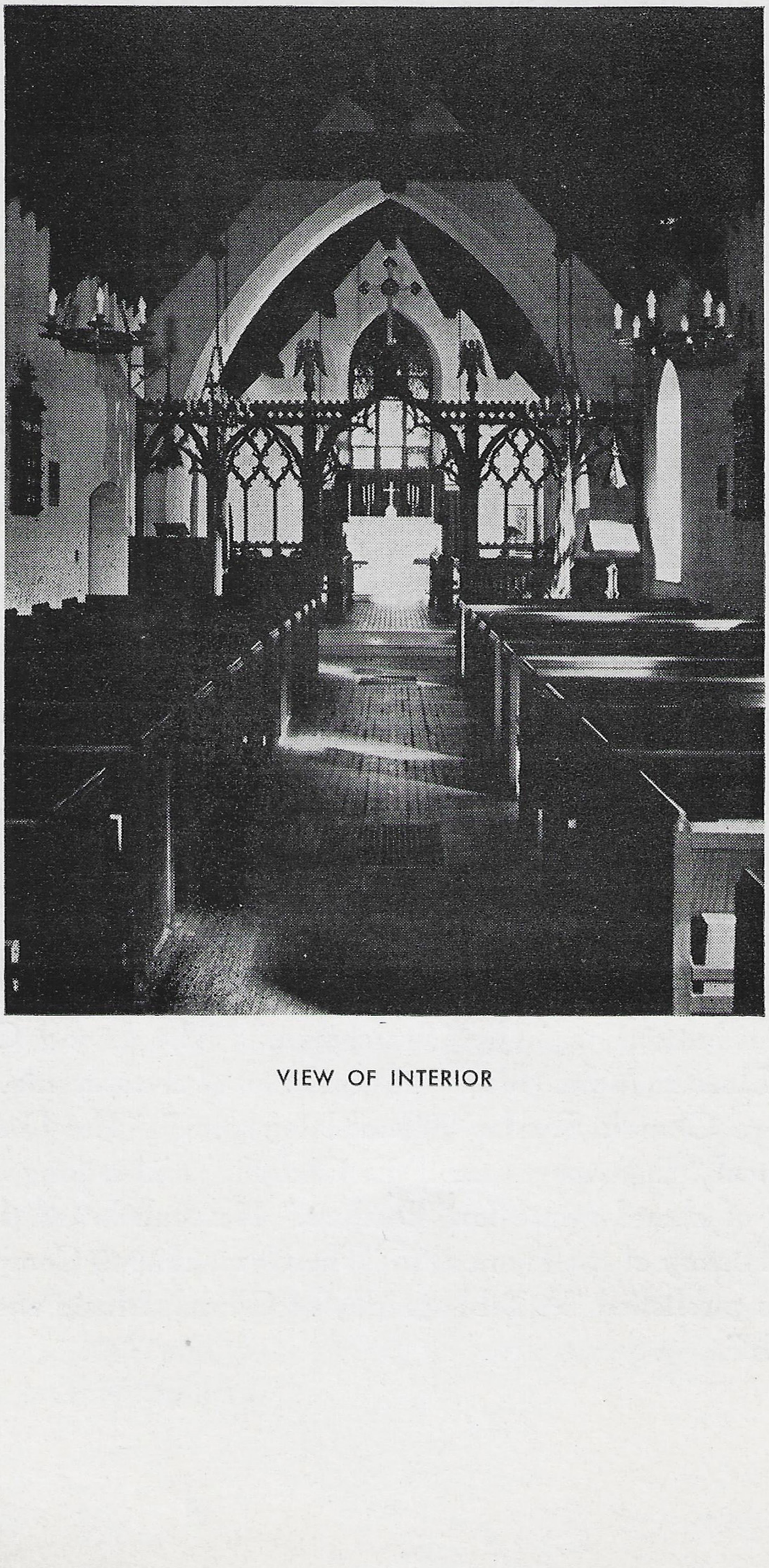
When the detailed plans have been completed and bids for construction work assembled, a sum of approximately $35,000 will be required. Inasmuch as about $10,000 is already in hand, an additional $25,000 must be raised.

Each one of us ought to feel the obligation to take his proper share in the completion of the project.

Think seriously as to planning your contribution. Perhaps your generosity cannot be expressed in a single payment. Many would like to state that they wish to spread their contribution over periodic payments on a 3 year basis and thus fully express the justifiable pride we can humbly carry within ourselves when this work is complete.

For this plan of giving to our Church, the enclosed pledge form can be used.

LET US NOW COMPLETE OUR
CENTER OF WORSHIP!!



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